

**TOWN OF GRANBY**  
**AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Minutes**  
**March 18, 2015**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Michelle Niedermeyer, John O'Brien, Pam Burek, Erin Pirro, Ellen Whitlow

Others: Alison Blair, Kate Bogli

The meeting was called to order by Michelle Niedermeyer at 7:05 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Kate Bogli encouraged the committee to stay abreast of the Town Owned Land Study Committee activities. This committee has been formed to discuss possible uses for town-owned land, particularly the parcel known as 107 East Street. A Public Hearing is scheduled for Thursday, March 26, at 7 p.m. Agricultural Commission members were encouraged to attend and write to the committee, in order to share information about the importance of retaining agricultural use of the parcel, which is currently being leased to farmers.

**ON A MOTION** by Erin Pirro, seconded by Pam Burek, the minutes of the January 28, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Open Farm Day**

- Pam Burek distributed the passport data analysis from Open Farm Day 2014. The commission reviewed the list of farms committed to Open Farm Day 2015. Shinder Farm and Horse Central will not participate in 2015, but Salmon Brook Veterinary Hospital will be a new stop on the tour.
- It was decided that a new photo would be sought for the postcards and poster this year. The Granby Ag Facebook page and website will be used to solicit possible photographs.
- A letter has been sent to previous sponsors and most are interested in sponsoring again. The Commission discussed the possibility of having one of the sponsors create the t-shirts for the farmers this year.
- Media contacts were reviewed.
- Participating farmers will be asked to submit their schedule of activities by April 15.

**NEW BUSINESS** None

**OTHER BUSINESS** None

**ON A MOTION** by John O'Brien, seconded by Erin Pirro, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lauren Stuck  
Recording Secretary